

Minutes from the City Council Meeting on Tuesday May 18, 2021 at 7:20 pm in the Auditorium are as follows:

Brooks, Shane D.	Ward 2 Councilor	Present left at 7:45
Laflamme, Frank N.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Roy, Gerard (Jerry) A.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Tillotson, James K.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Zygarowski, Robert J.	At-Large Councilor	Present
McAuliffe, Joel D.	Ward 1 Councilor	Present
Galecki, Lucjan J.	Ward 3 Councilor	Present
Balakier, George A.	Ward 4 Councilor	Present
Krampits, Fred T.	Ward 5 Councilor	Present
Dobosz, Derek	Ward 6 Councilor	Present
Courchesne, William C.	Ward 7 Councilor	Present
Labrie, Gary R.	Ward 8 Councilor	Present
Walczak, Stan	Ward 9 Councilor	Present

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Public Input-none

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to accept the minutes of 4/29/2021 & 5/4/2021. Motion passed.

MO-1 Mayors appropriation of One million and 00/100 dollars (\$1,000,000.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Highway Special Account for Roads & Sidewalks from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account. Said funds will be reimbursed from the City's FY'22 Chapter 90 funds.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to amend the order to read will not be reimbursed. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass as amended. Councilor McAuliffe stated money for infrastructure projects. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote.

MO-2 Mayors appropriation of Four hundred seventy one thousand three hundred eighty four and 21/100 dollars (\$471,384.21) to the following named account: D.P.W. Highway Special Account for Snow & Ice Removal from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Roy to receive and pass. Councilor Roy stated for snow and ice removal, read the backup into the record. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote.

MO-3 Mayors appropriation of Thirty two thousand three hundred twenty one and 10/100 dollars (\$32,321.10) to the following named account: Treasurer's Special for Bond Anticipation Interest from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and pass. Councilor Krampits stated partial payment for bond anticipation, paying for the Uniroyal site. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote.

MO-4 Mayors appropriation of Six thousand seven hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$6,700.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Ambulance Billing from available funds in the Fire Special Account for Purchase of Ambulances.

--Motion made by Councilor Galecki to receive and pass. Councilor Galecki stated to pay the people that collect for ambulance billing. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote.

MO-5 Ordered that the City Council accept the Massachusetts Jail/Arrest Diversion Program Grant in the amount of Fifteen Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$15,000.00) to the Chicopee Police Department. Said grant is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive, pass and the grant accepted. Councilor Walczak stated continuing grant each year, conjunction with Behavioral Health Network, crisis prevention. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote.

MO-6 To the City Council:

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed, Robin Kenney-Bineau, 138 Vermont Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts as a trustee of the Irving & Alice Page Trust Fund to serve in such office for the term of 2 years expiring on the 1st of June, 2023. To which appointment I ask the confirmation of your honorable council.

*Re-Appointment

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Tillotson stated excellent appointment. Knowledgeable, meets with the students. Motion passed.

MO-7 To the City Council:

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed, Jessica Hebert, 20 Overlook Drive, Easthampton, Massachusetts as a trustee of the Irving & Alice Page Trust Fund to serve in such office for the term of 6 years expiring on the 1st of June, 2027. To which appointment I ask the confirmation of your honorable council.

*Re-Appointment

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Tillotson stated Assistant Treasurer, very qualified. Motion passed.

MO-8 Ordered that the City Council accept the donations of Nine thousand eight hundred twenty nine and 25/100 dollars (\$9,829.25) to the Chicopee Council on Aging. Said donations are for senior meals for the month of April, 2021 and they are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive, pass and the donation accepted with a second by Councilor Laflamme. Councilor Balakier stated donations for senior meals for April, good cause. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 12 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Brooks abstained.

9 A favorable Utilities Committee report: Be it Ordered that Utilities Sub-Committee meet to discuss fiber optic internet by Chicopee Electric Light.

-Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and placed on file. Councilor Dobosz stated about 4500 homes are eligible, about 1000 have signed up. Only 30-40 homes can be hooked up each week. Looking at \$20,000,000.00 to complete the project, 6500 have signed up as interested, however there could be multiples. Will be 2026-2027 to build out. Customer support is a huge issue. Councilor McAuliffe stated thank Councilor Dobosz for setting up this meeting, proud of CEL for all they've done. Largest frustration is that it's not available everywhere. Reality is even when it was a concept, requires political leadership. Work issue can be resolved. Should put more money into this. Councilor Roy asked to clarify does it cost \$1,500.00 per household? The cost to CEL for them to connect from the street to the house is \$1,500.00. Councilor Tillotson stated very informative, think things should keep going the way they are going. Supply would be competitive with people around the world for parts. Follow plan to not spend more money to gain only 2 years. Motion passed.

10 Be it Ordered that the following City Council meeting dates be changed:

- Tuesday, September 21, 2021 be changed to Thursday, September 23, 2021 (City Preliminary)

- Tuesday, November 2, 2021 be changed to Thursday, November 4, 2021 (City Election)

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and approved tonight. Councilor Tillotson stated due to election, September is the primary and November is regular election day. Motion passed.

11 To the City Clerk

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed Delmarina Lopez of 11 Ogden Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts as a member of the Charter Review Commission.

*New Appointment

--Motion made by Councilor Galecki to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Galecki stated will do a great job. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

12 Be it Ordered that the DPW install the largest size Boat Ramp sign with reflection and a directional arrow pointing to the left on the corner of Paderewski and Granger Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Galecki to receive and sent to the DPW for implementation. Councilor Galecki stated the existing signs are small and not visible. People miss the turn and go down a dead end street and turn in people driveways. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

13 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a Harding Street sign at the intersection of Harding and Cox Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Galecki to receive and sent to the DPW for implementation. Councilor Galecki stated he was approached by a delivery driver. Signs are missing, important to have the streets marked. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

14 An application for a NEW Class 2 license located at 874 Front Street. Applied for by KLM Auto Repair, Inc., Maria Y. Christy, 21 Lachine Street, Chicopee, MA 01020.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Councilor Walczak stated take up in committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Brooks absent.

15 An application for a NEW Auto Repair license located at 874 Front Street. Applied for by KLM Auto Repair, Inc., Maria Y. Christy, 21 Lachine Street, Chicopee, MA 01020.

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16 An application for a NEW Junk Dealers license located at 1956 Memorial Drive (kiosk will be inside Dollar General). Applied for by: ECOATM, LLC, Hunter Bjoukman, 10121 Barnes Canyon Road, San Diego, CA 92121.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Councilor Walczak stated take up in committee. Councilor Tillotson stated not sure what that was, they take in cell phones. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Brooks absent.

17 Auto Repair Renewal for 2021

Porter & Chester Institute, Inc.

1998 Westover Road

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and granted with existing restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated annual request. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

18-22 Junk Dealer's License Renewals for 2021

Willimansett Waste Co.
Polgold Jewelers
Nu-Da-U
Game Stop
ECOATM, LLC

239 Narragansett Blvd.
63 Cabot Street
922 Chicopee Street
649 Memorial Drive
591 Memorial Drive

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and granted with existing restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated annual request. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

23-25 Home Occupation Renewals for 2021

Talbot Massage

Dough Creations

Roger Talbot
Edward J. Radawiec
Joseph Dynak

408 Front Street
3 Ivy Street
106 Carew Street

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and granted with existing restrictions. Councilor Walczak stated annual request. Motion passed. Councilor Brooks absent.

ATTEST:



Keith W. Rattell
City Clerk